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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: **MEDICAL & BIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES CO., LTD.**

Title: **METHOD FOR DETECTING ACETYLTRANSFERASE AND DEACETYLASE ACTIVITIES AND METHOD FOR SCREENING INHIBITORS OR ENHANCERS OF THESE ENZYMES**

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We hereby grant the Associated Practitioners the power to prosecute the application identified above and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. However, the Associate Practitioners are expressly not granted the power to appoint another attorney. MPEP § 402.02.

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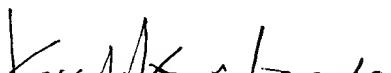
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Date: Dec. 9. 03

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: MEDICAL & BIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES CO., LTD.

Application No./Patent No. 09/618,424 Filed/Issue Date: July 18, 2000

Entitled: METHOD FOR DETECTING ACETYLTRASFERASE AND DEACETYLASE ACTIVITIES AND METHOD FOR SCREENING INHIBITORS OR ENHANCERS OF THESE ENZYMES

MEDICAL & BIOLOGICAL LABORATORIES CO., LTD., a corporation

(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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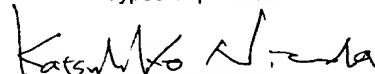
The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Dec. 9. 03

Date

Katsuhiko Nishida

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President and CEO

Title

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Yoichi TAYA of Tokyo, Japan, I, Katsuyuki TAMAI of Nagano, Japan and I, Toshiaki MIYAZAKI of Nagano, Japan, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignors"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in "METHOD FOR DETECTING ACETYLTRANSFERASE AND DEACETYLASE ACTIVITIES AND METHOD FOR SCREENING INHIBITORS OR ENHANCERS OF THESE ENZYMES", for which an application for United States Letters Patent with the same title was filed on July 18, 2000 and assigned U.S. Serial No. 09/618,424, and claims priority of PCT/JP99/00191, filed January 20, 1999 and Japanese Patent Application No. 10/9171, filed January 20, 1998, and

WHEREAS, Medical & Biological Laboratories Co., Ltd., having a place of business at Sumitomo-Shoji Marunouchi Bldg. 5F, 5-10, Marunouchi 3-chome, Naka-ku, Nagoya-shi, AICHI 460-0002 Japan, (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same invention, and in and to the said application, and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for the above consideration, the Assignors have assigned and transferred, and do hereby assign and transfer to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, their entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to the said invention and in and to the said application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, in whole or in part, re-examinations, and extensions thereof, and all applications claiming priority therefrom; and the Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as their interest is concerned, to the Assignee; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue, to the same extent as the Assignors would hold and enjoy if this Assignment had not been made.

The Assignors also have assigned and transferred, and do hereby assign and transfer to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, their entire right, title and interest in and to the invention disclosed in said application, in all countries of the world foreign to the United States, including the right to file applications and obtain patents for said invention in its own name in said countries and including all rights of priority in said countries under the terms of any applicable international convention; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue, to the same extent as the Assignors would hold and enjoy if this Assignment had not been made.

The Assignors further agree to execute any and all patent applications, assignments, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such patent rights, and also agree, at the request of the Assignee, to testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, make all lawful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid said Assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain, maintain and enforce patent protection for said invention in all countries.

The Assignors also hereby grant the law firm of EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP, Dike, Bronstein, Roberts & Cushman, IP Group, the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have caused this Assignment to be executed.

Dated this 28th day of November, 2000.

Yoichi Taya  
Yoichi TAYA

Dated this 28th day of November, 2000.

Katsuyuki Tamai  
Katsuyuki TAMAI

Dated this 28th day of November, 2000.

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Toshiko Kobayashi (Date)

WITNESS:

Mayumi Shibayama 28 November, 2000  
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